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COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

AT RICHMOND, JULY 16, 1999

APPLICATION OF

VIRGINIA GAS PIPELINE COMPANY

CASE NO. PUE990167

For Certification of a
Natural Gas Transmission Line
Under the Utilities Facilities
Act

ORDER GRANTING MOTION FOR EXTENSION
OF TIME TO FILE STAFF REPORT

On July 15, 1999, the Staff of the State Corporation Commission ("Staff"), by its counsel, filed a motion requesting an extension of time for filing Staff's Report in the above-captioned matter. The time for filing such Report, pursuant to Commission Order dated April 15, 1999, is on or before July 16, 1999. Staff requested that such time be extended until October 15, 1999.

In support of its motion, the Staff stated that it is unable to complete its investigation of the matter due to a change in one aspect of Virginia Gas Pipeline Company's ("Company") application. On July 14, 1999, the Company filed a modification to its proposed route into Rocky Mount, Virginia, which will necessitate relocation of the proposed pipeline in two locations and the acquisition of additional rights-of-way.

Staff therefore requests additional time and opportunity to review this modification and address all issues in its Report.

Having considered this request, the Commission is of the opinion and finds that the Staff's request is reasonable and should be granted. Accordingly,

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

(1) The Staff's request for an extension of time to file its Report in this case is granted, and the date for filing the Report shall be extended from July 16, 1999, to October 15, 1999.

(2) On or before August 16, 1999, the Company shall publish the following notice of the change in its application as display advertising, not classified, once in newspapers in the areas through which the pipeline is proposed to be constructed:

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC OF
A CHANGE IN THE APPLICATION
OF VIRGINIA GAS PIPELINE COMPANY
FOR A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC
CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY TO
CONSTRUCT, OWN, AND OPERATE A
NATURAL GAS TRANSMISSION PIPELINE
SYSTEM AND RELATED FACILITIES
CASE NO. PUE990167

On March, 19, 1999, Virginia Gas Pipeline Company ("VGPC" or "the Company") filed an application with the State Corporation Commission ("Commission") requesting the Commission to issue a certificate of public convenience and necessity authorizing VGPC to construct, own, and operate a natural gas transmission pipeline system and related facilities to

provide an additional throughput of 21,500 dekatherms of gas per day. The proposed pipeline is an expansion of VGPC's existing P-25 pipeline system from Chilhowie, Virginia, to Radford, Virginia.

On July 14, 1999, the Company filed a modification to its proposed route into Rocky Mount, Virginia. That modification will necessitate relocation of the proposed pipeline in two locations and the acquisition of additional rights-of-way, the details of which may be reviewed at the following locations: VGPC's office at 200 Main Street, Abingdon, Virginia 24210, during the hours of 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, and at the State Corporation Commission, Document Control Center, First Floor, Tyler Building, 1300 East Main Street, Richmond, Virginia 23219, during the hours of 8:15 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Any person desiring to comment in writing on VGPC's application or request a hearing may do so by directing such comments or requests on or before September 7, 1999, to Joel H. Peck, Clerk of the Commission, c/o Document Control Center, P.O. Box 2118, Richmond, Virginia 23218, and shall refer to Case No. PUE990167. Requests for hearing shall state with specificity why such concerns cannot be adequately addressed in written comments. On or before September 7, 1999, a copy of the comments or requests for hearing must also be sent to the Company as follows: Michael L. Edwards, President, Virginia Gas Pipeline Company, P.O. Box 2407, Abingdon, Virginia 24212.

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(3) On or before August 16, 1999, VPGC shall serve a copy of this Order on the chair of the board of supervisors of any county and upon the mayor or manager of any county, city, or

town (or upon equivalent officials in counties, towns, and cities having alternate forms of government) lying within the area in which VGPC proposes to construct the pipeline. Service shall be made by first-class mail or delivery to the customary place of business or residence of the person served.

(4) This matter shall be continued generally.